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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

CURRY et al.

Group Art Unit 1626

Serial No. 09/673,473

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For:

CUBANE DERIVATIVES AS METABOTROPIC GLUTAMATE RECEPTOR AGONSISTS OR ANTAGONISTS AND PROCESS FOR THEIR

PREPARATION

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 24, 2002. The three-month shortened statutory period was set to expire on March 24, 2003; thus a petition for a three-month extension of time and check therefor is being filed herewith, extending the deadline for response to June 24, 2003. Therefore, this response should be considered timely filed.

In light of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims and application are in condition for allowance. In response to the Office Action, please amend the above patent application as follow:

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AMENDMENT

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please find attached a corrected formal drawing for Figure 1. The figure has been amended to correct the objections to the figure as found on the Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review, which is attached to the outstanding Office Action.